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The following newspapers connected with the "Hsing Chain" or Hsing hai (星系) are published and financed by AW Boon Haw (HU Wen-hu 胡文虎), the Tiger Balm King.

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1. Hsing Chou Jih Pao (星洲日報)

Editor: HU Chiao

Place of Publication: Singapore

Date Established: June 1928

Date of first publication: 15 January 1929

When the Japanese entered Singapore, the editor escaped to Chungking. During the Japanese occupation of the area, publication was stopped and was not resumed until the editor's return to Singapore.

2. Hsing Hua Jih Pao (星華日報)

Present Editor: HO Tiao-chien 何藻鑑

Place of Publication: Swatow

Date of first publication: 10 July 1931

The Japanese occupation of Swatow forced the paper to move to Tap. (116-42, 24-29); but in September 1946 it resumed publication in Swatow. At present it is considered one of the leading newspapers in eastern Kwangtung province.

3. Hsing Chung Jih Pao (星中日報)

Place of Publication: Singapore

Date of first publication: 11 September 1935

4. Hsing Kuang Jih Pao (星光日報)

Present Editor: HU Tzu-chou (胡資周), concurrently acting manager

Place of Publication: Amoy

Date of first publication: 1 September 1935

Capital used in its establishment: \$100,000 CN plus (value of CN in 1935)

Hsing Kuang Jih Pao office is at Chung Shan North Road, Amoy. Circulation of the paper before the war was about 10,000 copies daily.

5. Hsing Yueh Jih Pao (星粵日報)

Place of Publication: Canton

Before the fall of Canton, this paper was already in the process of

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establishment. Japanese occupation of the city stopped its publication, but AW is planning to resume publication.

6. Hsing Tao Jih Pao (星島日報)

Manager: HU Hao (胡好)

Place of Publication: Hongkong

Date of first publication: 1 August 1938

Circulation before the war: 60,000 copies daily

Although the manager, HU Hao, escaped to Free China when the Japanese entered Hongkong, the paper continued its publication throughout the period of Japanese occupation.

7. Hsing Pin Jih Pao (星檳日報)

Present Editor: CHUNG Chieh-min 鍾介民

Director and concurrently manager: HU Shan (胡山), second son (adopted) of AW Boon Haw

Place of Publication: Manila

Date of first publication: 1 January 1939

8. Tsung Hui Pao (總匯報)

Head of paper: HU Chiao (胡蛟), AW Boon Haw's eldest son (adopted)

Place of publication: Singapore

Tsung Hui Pao is considered to be the oldest Chinese newspaper in publication in Singapore. It was established in 1905. In 1938 AW Boon Haw bought a part of the paper's shares, and in February 1940, he obtained complete control.

9. Hsing Min Jih Pao (星閩日報)

Promoter and manager: HU Meng-chou (胡夢洲), present manager of the Tiger Balm Company in Foochow

Place of Publication: Foochow

10. Hsing Hu Jih Pao (星滬日報)

About August 1946 AW Boon Haw had planned to establish a newspaper in Shanghai. His third (adopted) son, HU Hao (胡好), was sent to Shanghai to set up the Hsing Hu Jih Pao office; but up to the present, the paper has not been published.

11. Tiger Standard (虎報)

Plans are being drawn to publish the Tiger Standard, an English paper, in both Hongkong and Singapore.

(Note: AW Boon Haw has only three adopted sons: HU Chiao, HU Shan, and HU Hao.)

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